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#### BEFORE THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. W 170

Patricia Anketell Young P O Box 67874 Los Angeles CA 90067 OAH No. L-1999080026

Psychologist License No. PSY 15394

Respondent.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Surrender of License is hereby adopted by the Board of Psychology, as its Decision in the above entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on September 27, 2000 .

It is so ORDERED August 28, 2000 .

FOR THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY
MARTIN R. GREENBERG, Ph.D., PRESIDENT

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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. W 170						
12	PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG P O Box 67874	OAH No. L-1999080026						
13	Los Angeles CA 90067	STIPULATED SURRENDER OF LICENSE AND ORDER						
14	Psychologist License No. PSY 15394							
15	Respondent.							
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17	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND	AGREED by and between the parties to						
18	the above-entitled proceedings that the following matt	ters are true:						
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20	<u>PARTIES</u>	<u>S</u>						
21	1. Complainant Thomas S. O'Con	nor is the Executive Officer of the Board of						
22	Psychology. He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this							
23	matter by Bill Lockyer, Attorney General of the State of California, by Amy Fan, Deputy							
24	Attorney General.							
25	2. Respondent Patricia Anketell Y	Young ("Respondent") is represented in this						
26	matter by attorney Richard Beada, whose address is 1	00 Wilshire Blvd., Ste 2010, Santa Monica						
27	CA 90401.							
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3. On or about August 14, 1997, the Board of Psychology issued Psychologist License Number PSY 15394 to Patricia Anketell Young ("Respondent"). The Psychologist License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on January 31, 2001, unless renewed.

**JURISDICTION** 

4. Accusation, Number 1F-1998-88061 (W-170), was filed before the Board of Psychology("Board"), and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation, together with all other statutorily required documents, was duly served on Respondent on June 24, 1999, and Respondent timely filed her Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation Number 1F-1998-88061 (W-170) is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

**ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS** 

- 5. Respondent has carefully read and discussed with her counsel the nature of the charges and allegations contained in the Accusation, Number 1F-1998-88061 (W-170).

  Respondent also has read and carefully considered the Stipulated Surrender of License and understands the effect it will have on her ability to practice.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of her legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation, the right to be represented by counsel, at her own expense, the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against her, the right to present evidence and to testify on her own behalf and to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision, and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

#### **CULPABILITY**

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8. Respondent understands that the charges and allegations in the Accusation, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon her Psychologist License.

9. For the purpose of resolving Accusation, Number 1F-1998-88061 (W-170) without the expense and uncertainty of further proceedings, Respondent agrees that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual basis for respondent's conviction on July 24,1998, for unauthorized possession of marijuana, in violation of Health and Safety Code section 11357(a), which under the circumstances of the offense is a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a psychologist. Respondent hereby gives up her right to contest that cause for discipline exists based on above charge and hereby surrenders her Psychologist License Number PSY 15394 for the Board's formal acceptance.

### EFFECT OF SURRENDER

- 10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation she enables the Board to issue its order accepting the surrender of her Psychologist License without further process.
- 11. Upon acceptance of the stipulation by the Board, Respondent understands that she will no longer be permitted to practice as a psychologist in California, and also agrees to surrender and cause to be delivered to the Board both her license and wallet certificate before the effective date of the decision.
- application for relicensure or reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed, and respondent's conviction on July 24,1998, for unauthorized possession of marijuana, in violation of Health and Safety Code section 11357(a), which under the circumstances of the offense is a

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crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a psychologist, will be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.

## **CONTINGENCY**

- 13. This stipulation shall be subject to the approval of the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that Board of Psychology's staff and counsel for complainant may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent or her counsel. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Order, the stipulation shall be of no force or effect, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action in this matter by virtue of its consideration of this stipulation.
- 14. The parties agree that facsimile signatures to this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order shall have the same force and effect as original signatures.

#### **ACCEPTANCE**

I, Patricia Anketell Young have carefully read the above Stipulated Surrender of License and entered into this agreement freely and voluntarily with the advice of counsel, and with full knowledge of its force and effect, do hereby surrender my Psychologist License to the Board of Psychology for its formal acceptance. By signing this Stipulated Surrender of License I recognize that upon its formal acceptance by the Board I will lose all rights and privileges to practice as a psychologist in the State of California and I will also cause to be delivered to the Board both my license and wallet certificate before the effective date of the decision.

DATED: 7-3/-80

Respondent

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# **CONCURRENCE** I have read and fully discussed with Respondent Patricia Anketell Young the terms and conditions and other matters contained in the above Stipulation to Surrender License and Order, and approve its form and content. DATED: Attorney for Respondent **ENDORSEMENT** The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Board of Psychology. DATED: 8 BILL LOCKYER, Attorney General of the State of California Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant DOJ Docket Number: 03598160-LA990921 Stipulation for surrender.wpt 6/13/00

Exhibit A:
Accusation, Case No.1F-1998-88061 (W-170),

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12		W-170							
13	PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG, Ph.D. P.O. Box 67874	ACCUSATION							
10	Los Angeles, CA 90067								
14	Psychologist License No. PSY 15394,								
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' 16	Respondent.								
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18	Complainant alleges:								
19	<u>PARTIES</u>								
20	1. Complainant, Thomas S. O'Connor, is the Executive								
21	Officer of the Board of Psychology (hereafter the "Board") and								
22	brings this accusation solely in his official capacity.								
23	2. On or about August 14, 1997, Psychologist License								
24	No. PSY 15394 was issued by the Board to PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG,								
25	Ph.D. (hereafter "respondent"), this license expired on								
26	January 31, 1999 and is invalid for renewal due to inadequate								
27	continuing education hours.								

#### **JURISDICTION**

	3.	This	accusation	is brough	nt before	the	Board	under
the	authority	of the	following	sections	of the C	alifo	rnia	<del>-</del>
Busi	iness and	Profess	sions Code	(hereafter	"Code")	:		•
	•	A.	Section 296	0 which,	in relev	ant p	art,	

A. Section 2960 which, in relevant part provides:

"The board may refuse to issue any registration or license, or may issue a registration or license with terms and conditions, or may suspend or revoke the registration or licensee of any registrant or licensee if the applicant, registrant, or licensee has been guilty of unprofessional conduct. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but not be limited to:

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- (a) Conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a psychologist or psychological assistant.
- "(i) Violating any rule of professional conduct promulgated by the board set forth in regulations duly adopted under this chapter.
- "(j) Being grossly negligent in the practice of his or her profession.
- "(k) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or regulations duly adopted thereunder.

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"(n) The commission of any dishonest, corrupt, or fraudulent act.

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- "(s) Repeated acts of negligence."
- B. Section 2963 which provides:

"A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere made to a charge which is substantially related to the qualifications, functions and duties of a psychologist or psychological assistant is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this article. The board may order the license suspended or revoked, or may decline to issue a license when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information or indictment."

C. Section 2964.6 which provides:

"an administrative disciplinary decision that imposes terms of probation may include among other things, a requirement that the licensee who is being placed on

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- D. Section 125.3 which provides, in relevant part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct any licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act, to pay the Board a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.
- E. California Code of Regulations (formerly California Administrative Code), Title 16, section 1396.1 provides:

"It is recognized that a psychologist's effectiveness depends upon his or her ability to maintain sound interpersonal relations, and that temporary or more enduring problems in a psychologist's own personality may interfere with this ability and distort his or her appraisals of others. A psychologist shall not knowingly undertake any activity in which temporary or more enduring personal problems in the psychologist's personality integration may result in inferior professional services or harm to a patient or client. If a psychologist is already engaged in such activity when becoming aware of such personal problems, he or she shall seek competent professional assistance to determine whether services to the patient or client should be continued or terminated."

(Conviction)

follows:

4. Respondent PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG, Ph.D. is subject to disciplinary action against her Psychologist License No. PSY 15394 under Business and Professions Code section 2963 in that her conviction pursuant to a plea of guilty to possession of

marijuana is substantially related to her qualifications, functions and duties. The circumstances of the offense are as

- A. Respondent was an employee of California Department of Corrections (CDC), as a therapist, from March 1997 until her resignation in August 1997.
- B. On March 31, 1997, respondent conducted an evaluation of patient Brian O. an inmate at North Kern State Prison in which his past extensive history of substance abuse including cocaine, marijuana, and alcohol were noted as an issue. Respondent diagnosed patient Brian O. as polysubstance dependence with an Axis II diagnosis of antisocial personality disorder.
- C. Respondent did not disclose in the evaluation that she had known patient Brian O. and his wife during the past and had enjoyed a personal relationship with them.
- D. The medical records reflect that on May 12, 1997, respondent again saw patient Brian O. at his request, in the role of psychologist and mental health care professional.
- E. The medical records maintained by respondent reflect that on May 27, 1997 she saw patient Brian O. at his

request.

- F. On June 3, 1997, respondent saw patient Brian O. again as his therapist in a "termination session" before he was transferred to another institution.
- G. At some point, patient Brian O. was transferred to another institution. Respondent continued to write and keep in touch with him. Respondent gained access to the inmate through her employment at CDC. Patient Brian O. informed respondent that his wife and son had been killed in an automobile accident in 1988. Respondent informed patient Brian O. that her mother had passed away. They helped each other grieve and overcome aspects of their depression.
- H. Respondent renewed her personal relationship with patient Brian O. despite knowledge of his past substance abuse and antisocial personality disorder.
- I. Respondent visited patient Brian O. on 22 occasions and allowed him to make repeated phone calls to her where charges were reversed. Patient Brian O. began to make requests of respondent to bring in packages, money and then finally, drugs.
- J. Patient Brian O. complained to respondent that he had severe back pain due to an injury sustained when he was shot. During a telephone call and/or visit, patient Brian O. requested that respondent bring marijuana to alleviate his back pain. Patient Brian O. gave respondent the name and telephone number of the drug supplier and she agreed to purchase the marijuana for him. She purchased \$100 worth of

the substance.

K. On March 14, 1998, after she had resigned from CDC, respondent went to visit patient Brian O. at the California Institute for Men. She took with her latex balloons filled with approximately 40 grams of marijuana. Respondent was seated at a table visiting with patient Brian O. when she was contacted by the correctional officer. Respondent was taken to West Valley Detention Center, booked and released.

L. On July 24, 1998 respondent plead guilty to one count of unauthorized possession of marijuana, in violation of Health and Safety Code section 11357(a).

M. Respondent continued to communicate with Brian O. after her arrest on March 24, 1998.

## SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Gross Negligence)

- 5. Respondent PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG, Ph.D. is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct under Business and Professions Code section 2960, subdivision (j), in that respondent engaged in boundary violations by continuing a personal relationship with patient Brian O. and purchased drugs for an inmate and attempted to supply him with the drugs.
  - A. Complainant refers to and, by this reference, incorporates herein paragraph 4, subparagraphs A. through L., inclusive, above, as though fully set forth.
  - B. Respondent was grossly negligent when she used her sessions as a psychologist to renew her friendship with patient Brian O.

- C. Respondent was grossly negligent when she purchased drugs for and attempted to supply drugs to patient Brian O. after her termination from CDC.
- D. Respondent was grossly negligent when she signed his medical records as though she were a provider of services when she was actually using the time to renew appersonal acquaintances and not to provide healthcare services as part of her employment.
- E. Respondent was grossly negligent when she saw patient Brian O. four times in a professional capacity when she had had a previous personal relationship with him.
- F. Respondent was grossly negligent when she, after her termination from CDC, continued a personal relationship with patient Brian O. by visiting him 22 times, allowing him t make repeated collect phone calls, and attempting to provide him drugs.

#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Dishonest or Corrupt Act)

- 6. Respondent PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG, Ph.D. is subject to disciplinary action for unprofessional conduct under Business and Professions Code section 2960, subdivision (n), in that respondent failed to disclose to her supervisor that she knew patient Brian O. personally and continued to see him on 22 occasions and by allowing him to make personal collect telephone calls to respondent, and by purchasing drugs and attempting to supply them to patient Brian O.
  - A. Complainant refers to and, by this reference,

A. Complainant refers to and, by this reference, incorporates herein paragraph 4, subparagraphs A. through L., and paragraphs 5, 6 and 7 inclusive, above, as though fully set forth.

#### PRAYER

WHEREFORE, the complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, and that following the hearing, the Board issue a decision:

- 1. Revoking or suspending Psychologist License Number PSY 15394, heretofore issued to respondent PATRICIA ANKETELL YOUNG, Ph.D.;
- 2. Ordering respondent to pay the Board the actual and reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case and, if placed on probation, the costs of probation monitoring; and
- 3. Taking such other and further action as the Board deems proper.

DATED: June 24, 1999

Thomas S. O'Connor

Executive Officer
Board of Psychology

Department of Consumer Affairs

State of California

Complainant

# **DECLARATION OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL**

In the Matter of the Accusation against:

## Young, Patricia A., Ph.D.

No.: W-170

I, the undersigned, declare that I am over 18 years of age and not a party to the within cause; my business address is 1422 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, California 95825. I served a true copy of the attached:

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

by mail on each of the following, by placing same in an envelope (or envelopes) addressed (respectively) as follows:

## NAME AND ADDRESS

CERT NO.

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Each said envelope was then on, <u>August 28, 2000</u>, sealed and deposited in the United States mail at Sacramento, California, the county in which I am employed, as certified mail, with the postage thereon fully prepaid, and return receipt requested.

Executed on, <u>August 28, 2000</u>, at Sacramento, California. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

DECLARANT

Mary Laackmann \
Enforcement Analyst